

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the Abstract as indicated below:

5           Basis motifs are determined from an input sequence through an iterative  
technique that begins by creating small solid motifs and continues to create larger motifs  
that include “don’t care” characters and that can include flexible portions. The small solid  
motifs, including don’t care characters and flexible portions, are concatenated to create  
larger motifs. During each iteration, motifs are trimmed to remove redundant motifs and  
10 other motifs that do not meet certain criteria. The process is continued until no new  
motifs are determined. At this point, the basis set of motifs has been determined. The  
basis motifs are used to construct redundant motifs. The redundant motifs are formed by  
determining a number of sets for selected basis motifs. From these sets, unique  
intersection sets are determined. The redundant motifs are determined from the unique  
15 intersection sets and the basis motifs. This process continues, by selecting additional  
basis motifs, ~~until all basis motifs have been selected~~